MR. C. O. MADHAVAN: The actual enquiry has not yet been started. As I said already, the Commissioner is examining the papers, and correspondence is going on between the Government, the Commissioner and the Advocate-General.

MR. A. THANU PILLAI: May I know whether the Resident Engineer concerned is on leave now?

MR. C. O. MADHAVAN: He has been given notice to quit and as he is eligible for some leave he may be permitted to avail himself of the leave due to him according to the orders to be passed hereafter.

MR. A. THANU PILLAI: May I know whether he is in Travancore?

MR. C. O. MADHAVAN: He is not in Travancore.

MR. A. THANU PILLAI: May I know whether the enquiry is to proceed in his absence?

MR. C. O. MADHAVAN: It is presumed and st is certain that he will take part in the proceedings when the actual proceedings are started.

MR. A. THANU PILLAI May I know the ground on which he was granted leave when his conduct itself was in question?

PRESIDENT: Order order. Is he in service now?

MR. C. O. MADHAVAN: No; he was given notice to quit.

MR. A. THANU PILLAI: I heard the Chief Secretary to say that he was on leave.

PRESIDENT: Order, order. The Chief Secretary said that notice under the covenant was given terminating his serrices. But under the covenant he is entitled to some leave.

MR. A. THANU PILLAI: Was he permitted to go on leave in spite of his irregular official conduct?

MR. C. O. MADHAVAN: The Gevernment have not considered whether he should forfeit his leave.

PRESIDENT: That too is *sub judice*?

MR. C. O. MADHAVAN: Yes, Sir.

MR. A. THANU PILLAI: Is he in receipt of any leave allowance?

MR. C. O. MADHAVAN: No, Sir.

Expenditure on the University Stadium.

204 ***MR. A. J. JOHN** (*Vaikom* cum *Kottayam*): Will the Government be pleased to state the total amount spent for the University Stadium?

MR. C. V. CHANDRASEKHARAN: Rs. 4,550.

Appointment of the Telephone Engineer.

205 ***MR. K. T. THOMAS** (*Thiruvella*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) the qualifications of the Telephone Engineer;

(*b*) whether he is one retired from service in British India:

(*c*) if so, what his office and designation were prior to appointment in Travancore service;

(*d*) whether he has any special training in Telephone Engineering;

(*e*) if so, what

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